STATE OF MINNESOTA

DISTRICT COURT

FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

COUNTY OF HENNEPIN

STATE OF MINNESOTA, by its Attorney General, Lori Swanson, and THE MINNESOTA POLLUTION CONTROL AGENCY.

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Plaintiffs,

v.

Case No. 27-CV-16-17753

VOLKSWAGEN AKTIENGESELLSCHAFT d/b/a VOLKSWAGEN GROUP and/ or VOLKSWAGEN AG; VOLKSWAGEN GROUP OF AMERICA, INC.; AUDI AG; DR. ING. H.C. F. PORSCHE AG d/b/a/ PORSCHE AG; and PORSCHE CARS NORTH AMERICA, INC.,

Defendants.

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#### NOTICE OF FILING OF NOTICE OF REMOVAL

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1446, defendants Volkswagen Aktiengesellschaft d/b/a Volkswagen Group and/ or Volkswagen AG; Volkswagen Group of America, Inc.; Audi AG; Dr. Ing. h.c. F. Porsche AG d/b/a Porsche AG; and Porsche Cars North America, Inc. (collectively, "Defendants") hereby give notice that Defendants filed a Notice of Removal, on December 22, 2016, removing this action from the District Court for Hennepin County, Minnesota, Fourth Judicial District to the United States District Court for the District of Minnesota. A copy of the Notice of Removal filed with the District of Minnesota is annexed hereto.

No further action needs to be taken by this Court, unless and until this action is remanded to this Court.

# Respectfully submitted,

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